for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I have been a Member of this Congress now for 2 years, and too often I have seen Members come to the well of this House and demonize, trivialize, and personalize the debate. I was happy to have participated in the conference up in Hershey, PA, because I think it is time that we stop this poisoning of the well of this great Chamber.

I told a story that happened back in the Continental Congress. Benjamin Franklin one time, at the end of a couple of days of very, very bitter debate in the Continental Congress, rose slowly at the back of the Chamber one morning and he said, "Let us for a moment, Mr. Speaker, contemplate our own fallibility.

Mr. Speaker, let us commit ourselves to vigorous but fair debate. Let us do it with humility. Let us do it with humor. If we do, I think both this body and the body politic will be well served.

NINE DAYS REMAIN FOR THE HOUSE TO SUBMIT A PLAN TO BALANCE THE BUDGET

(Ms. STABENOW asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. Speaker, I first would like to commend the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. LAHOOD] and the gentleman from Colorado [Mr. SKAGGS] for what was an outstanding weekend for us to come together and to talk as human beings about our differences and about the ways in which we can get things done.

I would hope that the first way that we would show our constituents that we were serious about getting things done would be to start by balancing the budget. We do not need to have a constitutional amendment to balance the budget, as they say, we just need to do it. We need to do it in the way our families do, at kitchen tables all across the country, making sure their own priorities, protecting the interests of their families are at stake, and at the same time making sure that their own budgets are balanced.

The lessons of Hershey are that we need to work together and to get something done. We have a limited amount of time, 9 legislative days, to present a budget. We need to get serious. We need to get busy and show our constituents that we intend to have the political will to balance the budget this year.

DEMAGOGUERY CAN BLOCK BI-PARTISAN CIVILITY AND CO-OPERATION IN SOLVING AMERI-CA'S PROBLEMS

(Mr. SMITH of Michigan asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

ANNOUNCING THE BIRTH OF TWIN GRAND-CHILDREN SELINA ANASTASIA AND JAMES AZARIEL BURNETT

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I was going to spend my 1 minute talking about the dangers of changing the CPI until we come up with provisions to make sure we protect the Social Security trust fund. I was not able to go to Hershey because my wife, Bonnie, and I had grandchildren a few days before, and they were twins. My daughter Elizabeth and her husband, Fred Burnett, now have twins. Their names are Selina Anastasia and James Azariel Burnett. So I am glad to announce that.

But on the issue of civility, on the Committee on the Budget we have talked about the serious problems of dealing with Medicare and Social Security, tremendous financial obligations and problems for the future. So I would just urge all my colleagues that the greatest enemy of solving these problems is demagoguery, because it is so easy in campaigns to scare people. I think it is so vital that we work together in solving very tough problems.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. GILLMOR] announced that the noes appeared to have

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. dently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 26, nays 392, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 40]

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